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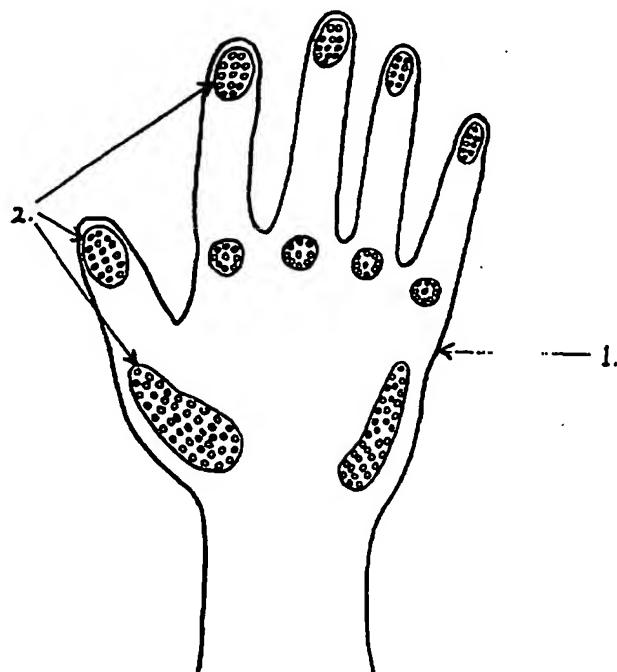
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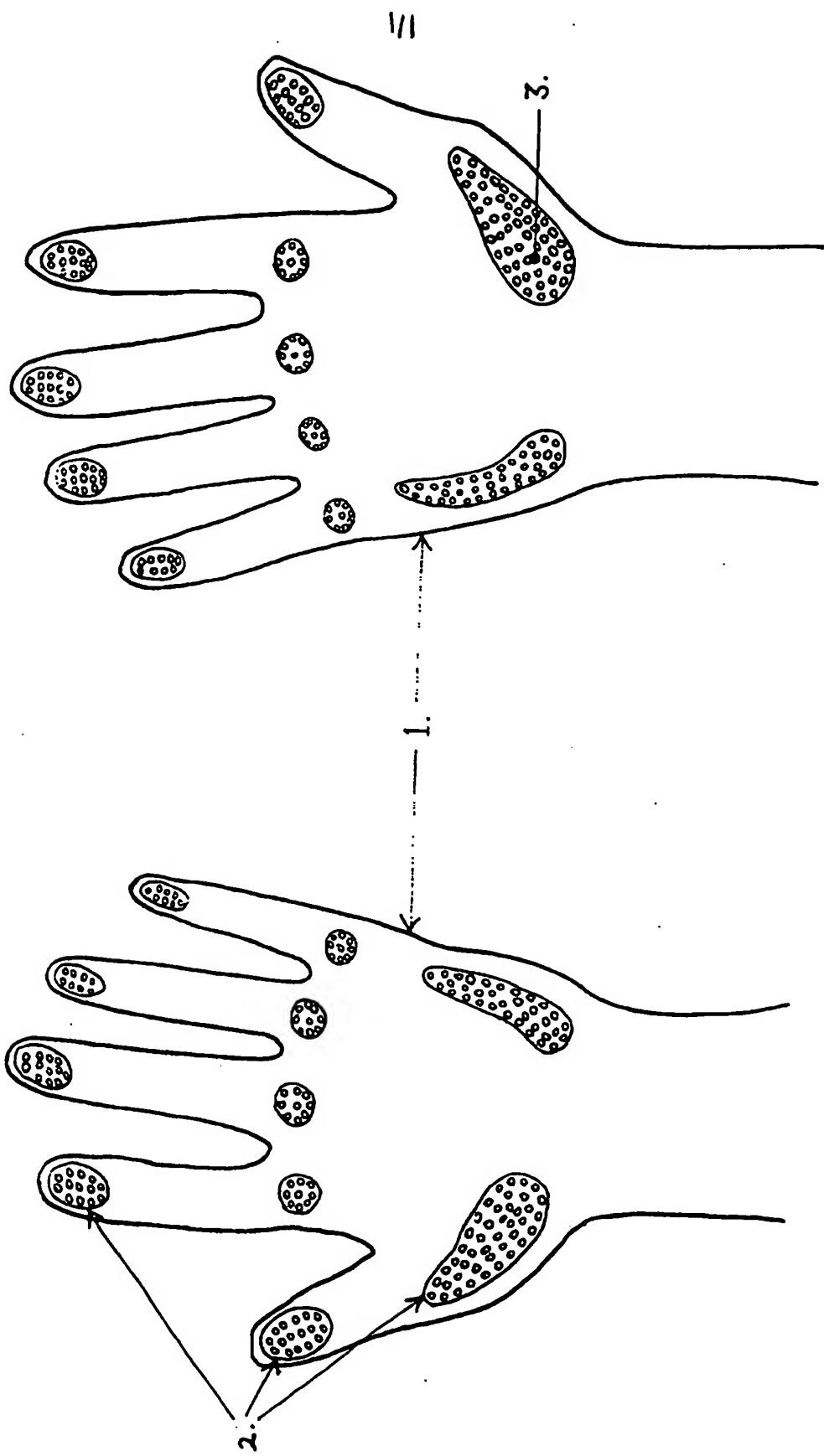
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(54) Abstract Title
Adhesive sports grips for hands

(57) An adhesive sports grip for hands comprises self adhesive pads 2 with a non-slip exterior surface 3, that stick directly onto the skin. The non-slip surface aids the frictional grip of sports equipment and may be made from a soft textured surface such as rubber and/or fabric. Preferably the pads and adhesive are breathable and water resistant.



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ADHESIVE SPORTS GRIPS FOR HANDS

DESCRIPTION:

The invention relates to a set of self-adhesive pads that stick directly onto the skin of the hands. Once stuck, the pads aid the frictional grip of the hands when in contact with sports equipment, such as to improve the control of balls or handled apparatus.

These grips are shaped to fit the appropriate contact areas of the hands, such as the fingertips or palms (see accompanying drawing).

The grips would possess a non-slip quality in order to enhance the grip capability of the hands. This quality would be due to a textured surface, soft material (e.g. rubber, fabric) or a combination of both.

Preferably the material and adhesive would be breathable and water resistant, as not to be effected by moisture perspired by the skin or originating from the external environment.

A specific embodiment of the invention will now be described by way of example with reference to the accompanying drawing in which:-

1. Bare hands, both left and right;
2. Set of self-adhesive sports grips individually shaped to fit different areas of each hand;
3. Non-slip surface / material of the pads.

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CLAIMS:

- 1) A set of self-adhesive pads that stick directly to the skin of the hands, incorporating a non-slip property onto their external surface.
- 2) A set of adhesive sports grips for hands substantially as herein described and illustrated in the accompanying drawings.



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